



**CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE
MORRISON C. ENGLAND, JR. (MCE)**

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
501 I Street, Suite 4-200
Sacramento, California 95814**

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CIVIL LAW AND MOTION

Available hearing dates are subject to change without notice. Hearing dates are NOT reserved.
All hearings are at 2:00 p.m., in courtroom 7. Please file your motion(s) in accordance with Local and Federal Rules of Court.

The following are available 2016 hearing dates.

January 14, 28
February 11, 25
March 10, 24
April 7, 21
May 5, 19
June 2, 16, 30
July 14, 28
August 11, 25
September 8, 22
October 6, 20
November 3, 17
December 1, 15

Page Limitations

As set forth in the Court's order requiring joint status report, any briefs or other papers filed prior to the issuance of the pretrial (status) scheduling order shall not exceed twenty (20) pages. The pretrial (status) scheduling order places a page limit on dispositive motions of twenty (20) pages on all initial papers, twenty (20) pages on oppositions, and ten (10) pages on replies. Any party wishing to file lengthier documents must first seek relief from said page limitation requirement from the Court.

Courtesy Copies

Pursuant to Local Rule 133(f), please provide courtesy paper copies of all documents in excess of twenty-five (25) pages or fifty (50) pages for attachments and or exhibits. Delivery of courtesy copies should be sent to the clerk's office at 501 I Street, Suite 4-200, Sacramento, California 95814.

Emailing of Proposed Order

Pursuant to Local Rule 137(b), regarding the requirements for proper filing of a proposed order, you are required to email the proposed order in **Microsoft Word** format to: mceorders@caed.uscourts.gov, in addition to filing the pdf version via the CM/ECF system. The email must contain the case number in the subject line. Pursuant to Local Rule 101, the definition for signature, you may enter /s/ for signatures of counsel.

Tentative Rulings

Chief Judge England does not issue tentative rulings.

Submitted Motions

Motions submitted by the Court without oral argument are noticed on the docket and public calendar not later than 2:00 p.m., the day before the hearing date.

Telephonic Appearance

Any party seeking to appear telephonically must file, for the Court's consideration, a request to appear telephonically and proposed order, not later than seven (7) calendar days prior to the hearing date. The proposed order must comply with Local Rule 137(b). The Eastern District of California does not utilize the services of Court Call.

Discovery Matters

Pursuant to Local Rule 302, all discovery matters and other duties shall be noticed before the assigned magistrate judge, unless otherwise ordered by the Court.

Ex Parte Applications

Ex parte applications submitted for the Court's consideration must include a proposed order and is filed without a hearing date. If after review of the application the Court determines a hearing is necessary, the parties will be notified accordingly.

CRIMINAL LAW AND MOTION

Available hearing dates are subject to change without notice. Hearing dates are NOT reserved. All hearings are at 9:00 a.m., in courtroom 7. Please file your motion(s) in accordance with Local and Federal Rules of Court.

The following are available 2016 hearing dates.

January 7, 21, 28
February 4, 11, 18, 25
March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31
April 14, 21, 28
May 5, 12, 19, 26
June 2, 16, 23, 30
July 7, 14, 21, 28
August 4, 11, 18, 25
September 1, 8, 22, 29
October 6, 20, 27
November 3, 10, 17
December 1, 8, 15

Request for Continuance

The Court prefers the submission of a stipulation and proposed order on any matter than can be handled without an in-court hearing. Stipulations and proposed orders for continuances must be submitted not later than 4:00 p.m., the Tuesday prior to the hearing date, unless otherwise notified by the courtroom deputy. Pursuant to Local Rule 137(b), regarding the requirements for proper filing of a proposed order, you are required to email the proposed order in **Microsoft Word** format to: mceorders@caed.uscourts.gov in addition to filing the pdf version via the CM/ECF system. The email must contain the case number in the subject line. Pursuant to Local Rule 101, the definition for signature, you may enter /s/ for signatures of counsel.

Stand-in Counsel

Counsel is required to notify the Court, in advance, if you will have stand-in counsel appearing on your behalf for a hearing.

Interpreter Services

Pursuant to Local Rule 403, it is the responsibility of defense counsel to arrange for the services of an interpreter prior to the scheduled hearing date, as well as, to cancel the services of an interpreter prior to the scheduled hearing date. Failure to comply with Local Rule 403 may result in the issuance of sanctions. Interpreter services for a hearing may be arranged by contacting Yolanda Riley-Portal, with the Court's Interpreter Office, at 916-930-4221 or YRiley-Portal@caed.uscourts.gov.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Trials

Presumptive trial hours, subject to the adjustment based on the Court's calendar are as follows. Motions in limine (prisoner cases and pro se trials only), jury selection, and the start of trial are on Monday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The presentation of evidence is heard on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Jury deliberations are Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The lunch recess is 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m., and two fifteen minute breaks are given at 10:30 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. If Monday is a holiday, trial commences on Tuesday of that week from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Conference rooms are available on either side of the front courtroom doors for use during trial.

Trial documents as outlined in the Court's final pretrial order should be submitted in **Microsoft Word** to: mceorders@caed.uscourts.gov according to the schedule set by that order.

Exhibits

The parties are directed to comply with the Court's final pretrial order regarding the preparation and submission of trial exhibits. Questions should be directed to the courtroom deputy. The parties are advised to mark their trial exhibits exactly as outline in the Court's final pretrial order. Exhibit stickers may be obtained from the clerk's office at 501 I Street, Suite 4-200, Sacramento, California 95814. Questions regarding obtaining exhibit stickers should be directed to the clerk's office at 916-930-4000. To bring large physical items, demonstrative exhibits, or electronic equipment, etc., to the courtroom, counsel are to make arrangements through the Court Security Office at 916-930-2080.

Jury Instructions

Counsel shall use the Ninth Circuit Model Jury Instructions and any revisions. Alternate instruction or authority may only be used if a Ninth Circuit Model Jury Instruction is unavailable.

Voir Dire

The Court reserves the right to conduct all examination of prospective jurors. Notwithstanding this reservation, the Court will permit each side up to ten (10) minutes to conduct voir dire, if desired.

Lodging of Deposition Transcripts

The parties are directed to comply with the final pretrial order regarding the use of and lodging of deposition transcripts for trial. Questions should be directed to the courtroom deputy.

Audio Visual Equipment

Electronic evidence presentation systems are available for use by attorneys in courtrooms in the Eastern District. Information about the Court's Electronic Evidence Presentation System can be found on the court's website under the Attorney Information tab, Electronic Evidence Presentation. Requests for audio visual orientation and training should be filed electronically.